AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph at Page 7, lines 11 - 20 with the following amended paragraph:

Wireless device 112 is a lap-top, cellular phone, Palm Pilot, or other wireless device. In one embodiment, wireless device 112 is capable of establishing a wireless connection 116 with network 114. In certain embodiments, wireless device 112 is configured to execute a browser type application, such as Netscape Navigator®, Microsoft Internet Explorer® or other similar type of WAP or HTML browser application that has been developed for use in highly constrained devices. As depicted, a user 122 can communicate with network 114 over a wireless connection 116 to retrieve and access electronic document information that is associated with network 114. For example, user 122 may use wireless device 112 to establish a wireless connection to a server for accessing content that is available on the Internet.

Please replace the paragraph at Page 9, lines 7 - 20 with the following amended paragraph:

Payment mechanism 118 is a combination of one or more hardware and/or software components or processes that cooperate or execute to receive monetary value from individuals desiring to obtain a hard copy of an electronic document. Payment mechanism 118 may be configured to accept a variety of different forms of payment from user 122. For example, payment mechanism 118 may be configured to accept physical currency, such as coins and/or dollars bills, or non-physical currency such as Smartcard, credit card or bank card (ATM) information, Cyber-Cash or any other form of monetary payment. Thus payment mechanism 118 may be configured to accept any number of different forms or types of monetary payment or monetary payment information. In one embodiment, payment mechanism 118 determines a particular number of pages that should be printed

based on the monetary value that has was provided or authorized by the user. For example, if a user deposits \$1.00 into payment mechanism 118, payment mechanism 118 may determine that at most five (5) pages should printed by printing device 106.

Please replace the paragraph at Page 12, lines 10 - 14 with the following amended paragraph:

Upon receiving the print ready file at wireless interface 314, the file is forwarded to spooler 316 for transmitting the file to a multifunctional peripheral (MFP) device 306.

Thereafter, the file is forwarded to the MFP 320 306 via Ethernet interface 318, thus causing a hard copy document to be generated based on the print ready file information.

Please replace the paragraph at Page 12, lines 15 - 22 with the following amended paragraph:

Alternatively, FIG. 3B illustrates a processing sequence 330 in which a wireless device 332 does not include software for generating a print ready file. In this example, a wireless device 332 includes an electronic document 338, a browser application 340, and a wireless interface 312 342. Browser application 340 may represent Netscape Navigator®, Microsoft Internet Explorer® or other similar type of WAP or HTML browser application that has been developed for use in high highly constrained devices. Electronic document 338 represents a document for which the user would like to generate a hard copy document.

Please replace the paragraph at Page 13, lines 1 - 19 with the following amended paragraph:

Further to this example, interface box 334 includes a wireless interface 344, a web server application 352 346, a printer driver 350 and an Ethernet interface 356. When a user wants to generate a hard copy of the electronic document 338, they establish a wireless

connection between wireless device 332 and interface box 334. Using browser 340, the user then communicates with web server 346 to request a hard copy of an electronic document, for example electronic document 338. Upon receiving the request, web server 346 sends interface data to wireless device 332 to cause an interface window to be displayed on browser 340. The interface window includes a mechanism whereby the user can enter or select the name of an electronic document that is located on wireless device 332. In response to selecting a particular document, the electronic document is downloaded, for example using the File Transfer Protocol (FTP), to web server 346. For example, web server 346 may include one or more Common Gateway Interface (CGI) scripts that are configured to communicate with the user's browser application and which allow the user to submit information, for example an electronic document file, which is then automatically sent from the wireless device 332 to the web server 346. In one embodiment, the downloaded file is automatically forwarded to print driver 350 to generate a print ready file that is then communicated to MFP 336 to generate a hard copy of electronic document 338.

Please replace the paragraph at Page 13, line 20 – Page 14, line 5 with the following amended paragraph:

In another embodiment, in response to receiving a downloaded document, Web server 346 generates a web page based on the electronic document 338 and transmits the web page back to the wireless device 332 for display on browser 340. In one embodiment, in generating the web page, server 346 includes one or more print option selectors that can be used to request the printing of the web page contents. Thereafter, if the user chooses a print option the content of the web page is forwarded to printer driver 350 to generate a print ready file. The file is then forward forwarded to the MFP 336 via Ethernet interface

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356, thus causing a hard copy document to be generated based on the print ready file information.